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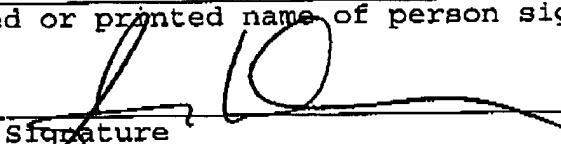
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In response to the Office action mailed August 8, 2005 please consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.